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INFORMATION REPORT

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- Up until March 1953, eight four-story barracks had been completed on Usedom for the use of the Seepolizei. They are located about 400 meters northeast of the power plant at Peenemunde harbor. The barracks are built of bricks and extend into the ground to a depth of four meters.
- 2. Every day, considerable shipments of wood, iron, sand, and cement could be observed; these gave rise to speculations that other building projects in addition to the barracks construction were to take place.
- 3. In November 1952, eight cisterns were transported to Kiehr (sic); each cistern was carried on two flatcars. The cisterns continue to lie on the ground in the forest directly north of Kiehr, and they are under continual guard by Soviet guard posts.
- On 8 March 1953, a shipment of fifteen 8-10 meter long, square, iron masts was observed at Bannemin. The masts were equipped at the top with a square platform, measuring 1 x 12 meters.

5. During the winter months rotation of Soviet personnel in the area took place several times. Air, army and naval units have been changed. Flight activity at Peanemunde has been particularly limited. Very rarely have aircraft been observed over the area.

During the war, a large ammunition depot was erected at Mellenthin. This will be rebuilt. At the beginning of March 1953, efforts were made to recruit a working force of about 2,000 men.

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